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(54) **PHARMACEUTICAL DOSAGE FORM FOR PULSATILE DELIVERY OF D-THREO-METHYLPHENIDATE AND A SECOND CNS STIMULANT**

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(57) **ABSTRACT**

Novel pharmaceutical dosage forms provide for pulsatile delivery of d-threo-methylphenidate and a second CNS stimulant, i.e., release encapsulated drug in spaced apart “pulses.” The second CNS stimulant may be an analeptic agent or a psychostimulant, with analeptic agents preferred. The dosage forms may comprise capsules housing compressed tablets or drug-containing beads or particles, or may comprise a tablet with the first, second and optionally third dosage units each representing an integral and discrete segment thereof. Methods of treatment using the pharmaceutical dosage forms are provided as well.

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